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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3, 23, 24, 65, 67 and 85-98 without prejudice to the Applicant's rights to pursue the subject matters in a future application, and add the following new claims:

1-98. (Canceled)

- 99. (New) A composition comprising an effective amount of a mixture for modulating apoptosis, the mixture being prepared from amniotic tissue products according to a method comprising the steps of:
- (a) obtaining and preparing an amniotic membrane from amniotic tissue products;
- (b) priming the amniotic cells in the amniotic membrane;
- (c) contacting an amount of a virus with the amniotic cells to form a suspension;
- (d) separating the amniotic membrane from the suspension; and
- (e) purifying the suspension to obtain the composition.
- 100. (New) The composition of claim 99, wherein the amniotic membrane is obtained from healthy mothers after normal delivery of a healthy infant.
- 101. (New) The composition of claim 99, wherein step (a) further comprises removing the placenta and blood clots from the amniotic membrane, and cutting the amniotic membrane into appropriate sizes.

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102. (New) The composition of claim 101, wherein step (a) further comprises incubating amniotic membrane for 30 minutes at 37°C.

- 103. (New) The composition of claim 99, comprising a bioactive fraction characterized by the peaks shown in figure 2 or 3, wherein the bioactive is prepared according to a method comprising the steps of: purifying the composition to obtain a low molecular weight fraction, wherein the low molecular weight fraction is <10 Kda; and performing gel permeation chromatography and solid phase extraction on the low molecular weight fraction to obtain the bioactive fraction.
- 104. (New) The composition of claim 99, wherein the priming step (b) is performed for 2-3 hours at 37.5°C.
- 105. (New) The composition of claim 99, wherein the virus is Newcastle disease virus or a virus that does not reproduce in human cell cultures.
- 106. (New) The composition of claim 99, wherein the virus is type species "H" of Newcastle disease virus.
- 107. (New) The composition of claim 99, wherein step (c) is performed for 1-2 hours at 37.5°C.
- 108. (New) The composition of claim 107, wherein step (c) further comprises separating the non-absorbed virus.
- 109. (New) The composition of claim 108, wherein step (c) further comprises cultivating the amniotic membrane for 16-18 hours at 37.5°C.

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110. (New) The composition of claim 109, wherein step (c) further comprises adding an appropriate amount of an acid to inactivate the virus.

- 111. (New) The composition of claim 110, wherein step (c) further comprises screening the suspension for viruses of hepatitis B and C, and HIV.
- 112. (New) The composition of claim 111, wherein step (c) further comprises autoclaving the suspension.
- 113. (New) The composition of claim 112, wherein the suspension is autoclaved for 30 minutes at 120°C.
- 114. (New) The composition of claim 99, further comprising lyophilizing the composition.
- 115. (New) A composition an effective amount of a mixture for modulating apoptosis, the mixture being prepared from amniotic tissue products according to a method, comprising the steps of:
- (a) obtaining a placenta from a subject after normal birth of an infant;
- (b) separating amniotic membrane from the placenta;
- (c) washing blood clot from the amniotic membrane;
- (d) cutting the amniotic membrane into appropriate sizes;
- (e) priming the amniotic cells in the amniotic membrane;
- (c) contacting an amount of a virus with the amniotic cells to form a suspension;

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(d) separating the amniotic membrane from the suspension; and

(e) purifying the suspension to obtain the composition.

116. (New) The composition of claim 115, further comprising lyophilizing the composition.

117. (New) A composition comprising a mixture for modulating apoptosis prepared, the mixture being prepared from amniotic tissue products according to a method, comprising the steps of:

- (a) obtaining a placenta from a subject after normal birth of an infant;
- (b) separating amniotic membrane from the placenta;
- (c) washing blood clot from the amniotic membrane;
- (d) cutting the amniotic membrane into appropriate sizes;
- (e) preparing a suspension of amniotic membrane;
- (f) boiling the suspension to obtain a boiled suspension;
- (g) incubating the boiled suspension; and
- (h) purifying the boiled suspension to obtain the composition.
- 118. (New) The composition of claim 117, further comprising lyophilizing the composition.